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Fellowship Family News

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"Thank you, Lord, for this season of sun and slow motion, of games and porch sitting, of picnics and light green fireflies on heavy purple evenings; and praise for slight breezes. It's good, God, as the first long days of your creation. Let this season be for me a time of gathering together the pieces into which my busyness has broken me. O God, enable me now to grow wise through reflection, peaceful through the song of the cricket, recreated through the laughter of play." (from "Let Me Live Gracefully" prayer, Guerrillas of Grace, Ted Loder)

Dear Fellowship members and friends!

I hope you are all enjoying your summer and having a chance to get caught up on family, rest, relaxation, and the beautiful outdoors. Please do not take a break from God and church though. We miss seeing you in church!

We've been trying something new this summer by doing a Worship and Praise style service on the first Sunday of each month. Communion remains the same but we are singing more songs without the sung liturgy. We would very much like to receive feedback on this service so please try to attend worship in-person or virtually on the first Sunday of the month and see what you think. You can pass feedback on to council members or members on the worship team (Karen Harris, Sonya Thelin, Dianna Roll, George Biemel, or myself).

Also during the season of Pentecost, you might have noticed we've been following what's called the "semi-continuous lectionary" so there's a continuous story in our first readings from the Old Testament. I've been enjoying preaching on these readings from Genesis - hope you are enjoying them too.

This year we will celebrate "God's Work, Our Hands Sunday" on August 27th. We will be doing a joint service project from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm with Lord of Life Lutheran Church at the Family Mentor Foundation, 6520 Singletree Dr., Columbus (about 14 minutes away from church). We will be presenting them with a \$500 check from the Grace Lutheran bequest, along with \$250 of food from a Thrivent Action Grant. There will also be some other service projects at Lord of Life during this time. If interested in helping out, there's a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. We had such a wonderful turn-out for last year's God Work, Our Hands Sunday and hope this trend continues.

And don't forget about our annual outdoor worship service and picnic coming up on Sunday, August 13th at Murphy Park in Powell. There's a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex so we can plan on how much food to order. Please see the announcement for further details.

See you in church!

Pastor Robin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-person Worship Masks are now optional. Please feel free to wear a mask if you are more comfortable with one on.

5:00 p.m. Worship & Praise Service Come join us for our 5:00 p.m. Worship & Praise Service on the 1st Sunday of each month.

The Smoky Row Food Pantry is at 7260 Smoky Row Rd., Columbus. The most needed items for July, August, and September include:

- Non-perishable food staples, such as beans, corn, rice, pasta.
- Toiletries, such as shampoo/conditioner, soap, toilet paper, etc.
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes

Place donations in the containers located in the Narthex. Your generosity is gratefully appreciated by our neighbors in need. Thank you!



Sunday School classes for youth and adults are on break until fall.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE & POTLUCK We are planning to have our

annual outdoor service on Sunday, August 13th at 10:00 a.m. at Murphy Park in Powell. The park is behind Handel's Ice Cream on Powell Road. Please bring your own chairs. The FLC Band will provide music for the service. A potluck lunch will follow the service. The church will provide sandwiches, chips, beverages, and tableware and we invite members to bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. Please sign up

on the sign-up list on the table in the narthex or call/email the office so we know how much food to order. Thanks!

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER Opportunities

Worship Servers Needed! If you are able to help out at our 10:00 a.m. worship service, please let Pastor Robin know. Assisting ministers, lectors, counters, and greeters are needed. Not sure what these roles involve or never done it before? We will be happy to help you out! We are also

Outdoor

Worship

Service

looking for fellowship hosts following worship on the 1st Sunday of each month. Sign-up on the table in the narthex. 2

Women's Dinner and Guys Night Out Update The next women's dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22nd at Local Roots, 15 E. Olentangy St., Powell, OH 43065 (614) 602-8060. If you need transportation, please let Pastor Robin know. Next Guys Night Out will be on Tuesday, August 29th at Cameron's, 2185 W. Dublin Granville Rd., Columbus, OH 43085 (614) 885-3663. All are welcome!

One Rollator Still Available Two rollators have been donated to Fellowship from Scioto Ridge United Methodist Church and one is still available in the coat rack area. If you are in need of a rollator, please let Pastor Robin know and take one. Please return to the church when you no longer need the rollator.

Thrivent Members - For those of you with choice dollars, don't forget that Fellowship can be a recipient of those dollars. Thank you to all who have donated this way in the past!

Give to Fellowship with Your Smartphone with Vanco Mobile - If you would like to give to Fellowship with your smartphone, please download Vanco's new smartphone app, Vanco Mobile. Vanco Mobile will enable anyone to donate at anytime to Fellowship. It makes it easy to give instantaneously for a regular gift, a recurring gift, or a special occasion gift.





Pastoral Care Request If you have a pastoral care request (hospitalization, upcoming surgery, need for counseling, etc.), please call Pastor Robin at (937) 725-4930. If you would like a home visit by Pastor Robin, please let Pastor Robin know so it can be scheduled. It does not need to be a pastoral emergency...just an opportunity to get to know you better.

Staying Connected Program for the Elderly - Did you know that Ohio has a program for the elderly to "stay connected?" You get to pick the hour to receive the phone call. For more information, here is the link: https:// aging.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/aging/care-and-living/get-help/stayingconnected/.

SAVE THE DATE! August 27th, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Joint Buddy Box Packing Party with Lord of Life Lutheran Church at Family Mentor Foundation and other projects at Lord of Life. Sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. 3

Holy Communion We celebrate Communion weekly. All baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to join us in the celebration of Holy Communion. Grape juice is available in the center of the trays. Non-communing children and adults are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Kroger Plus Fundraising Information: If you would like to register your Kroger card for the Community Rewards Program, please contact Pastor Robin or the church office. Thank you so much for participating in this fundraiser!

Attendance Information (In-person & virtual)

June 4	23/4/36 views	July 2	24/5/14 views
June 11	51/30 views	July 9	27/20 views
June 18	27/14 views	July 16	33/26 views
June 25	16/19 views	July 23	37/17 views
		July 30	28/14 views

Church Staff & Leadership

Church Staff

Pastor Rev. Robin Wargowsky

Treasurer Todd Engen Financial Secretary Tracy Farel

Pianist Amy Wargowsky

Sub. Pianist/Organist David Fleisher, Ruth Albert

Choir/Band Director George Biemel

Custodian Kenneth Hunt

Executive Committee

President George Biemel Vice-President Mike Rankin Secretary Sonya Thelin

Pastor Robin

At-large Council Members Angela Kidd

Bill Lude

Susan Wolfe

Team Coordinators

Congregational Life Vacant

Education & Youth Vacant

Outreach Pete Cardimen

Property John Votino

Stewardship Vacant (Council)

Worship Karen Harris

Thank you for your leadership!!!

Worship Servers Schedule for August 2023

	August 6	August 13 Outdoor
Asst. Minister	Cindy Frey	Sonya Thelin
Lay Reader	Cindy Frey	Sonya Thelin
Counter	Cindy Frey	
Greeter	Karen Harris	
Fellowship Host	Bill Lude	
Altar Guild	Dianna Roll & Angela Roll	Dianna Roll & Angela Roll

	August 20	August 27
Asst. Minister	Ruth Albert	Paul Wargowsky
Lay Reader	Ruth Albert	Paul Wargowsky
Counter		Bill Lude
Greeter		Bill Lude
Fellowship Host		
Altar Guild	Dianna Roll & Angela Roll	Dianna Roll & Angela Roll



Worship Servers Needed!

If you can fill any of our openings for assisting ministers, readers, counters, greeters or fellowship hosts or help out in future months, please call or email Pastor Robin. Thanks!

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Sat	5 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	12 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	19 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	26 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	2 6:00 am - CJMC Pray
Ë	4 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	11 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	18 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	25 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	I 6:00 am - CJMC Pray
Thu	3 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00 pm - CJMC	10 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00 pm - CJMC	17 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00 pm - CJMC	24 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 1:30 pm - SICC Prs 8:00 pm - CJMC	31 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 8:00 pm - CJMC
Wed	2 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	9 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	16 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	23 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	30 6:00 am - CJMC Pray
Tue	I 6:00 am - CJMC Pray	8 Election Day 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - Worship (zoom)	IS 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - Council	52 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:00 pm - Women's Dinner	29 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 6:00 pm - Guys Night Out
Mon	31 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - NA	6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - NA 8:00 pm - Election Day Set-up	14 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - NA	21 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - NA	28 6:00 am - CJMC Pray 7:00 pm - NA
Sun	30 10:00 am -Worship 11:30-4:00 pm - CJMC	6 10:00 am -Worship 11:30-4:00 pm - CJMC 5:00 pm - Worship	13 Outdoor Service 10:00 am -Worship 11:30-4:00 pm - CJMC	20 10:00 am -Worship 11:30-4:00 pm - CJMC	27 God's Work, Our Hands Sunday 10:00 am -Worship 11:30-12:30 pm - Joint service project with LOL @ FMF 11:30-4:00 pm - CJMC

FOR OUR MEMBERS:

Fritzi Bear Zach Jaeger **George Biemel Lillian Kachic Major N Crispin Ed Lathy Byron Engen** Frank & Leena LeMay **Barb Fisher** Pete & Sonja Meighen **Margery Gress Carolyn Shaw Cheryl Hamilton John Votino Karen Harris** Ray & Carol Ward

July Birthdays

Sarah Burns	8/01
George Biemel	8/05
Andy Lee	8/06
Sonya Thelin	8/17

FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Jim Barnett, Bill Lude's friend David Craig, Cindy Frey's father Rosemary Craig, Cindy Frey's mother Rikki-lynn Cromlish, Mal Tonn's teammate John Hackworth, Major Crispin's friend Keith Hall, Sonya Thelin's neighbor Marc Hamilton, Cheryl Hamilton's son McKenna Harris, Karen Harris' granddaughter Jenny Johnson, Sonya Thelin's colleague John Katsarus, George Biemel's neighbor Donna Lobozetta, Greg Schaughency's friend's wife River Opper, Frey family friend's daughter Tom Patchett, Jim Jaeger's cousin Pat Reed, Pastor Robin's friend's wife Scott Reimer, John Votino's friend Shaun Steward, George Biemel's friend



Happy Birthday to those celebrating birthdays this month! This list reflects the information we have in our computer at this time. We welcome your corrections and additions!

DEATHS:

Marietta Britz, Kathy Farel's friend
The Rev. Skip Cornett, Pastor Robin's friend

July Anniversaries

Mike & Ruth Rankin	8/12
George & Jeanine Biemel	8/17
Ray & Carol Ward	8/23
Erling & Susan Lee	8/24



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED





Our Purpose: To share God's love and grace through our words and actions.

 $Our\ Vision$: To be a diverse, thriving community of faith where all are

welcome to celebrate God's love and grace.

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